

HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT MEDIA ALERT

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HFD Grand Opening of Regional Training Facility

WHAT: Following the events of September 11, 2001 and Hurricanes Katrina and Rita the Houston Fire Department recognized the need to become a regional training center. Looking to fulfill the needs of not only HFD, but also area departments the HFD will host a grand opening of the newly renovated HFD Val Jahnke Training Facility

WHEN: Today, June 8, 2006 from 1p.m. to 5p.m.

WHERE: HFD Val Jahnke Training Facility, 8030 Braniff off Telephone Rd.

DETAILS: Fire Departments from outside the state, including Louisiana have made reservations to attend today's event.

This event will feature:

1p.m. to 5p.m. - Vendor Show

1p.m. to 5p.m. – course demonstrations (good photo opportunity for media)

- Incident Command Utilizing HFD Strategic Simulator
- Company Officer Development
- Truck Company Relations
- Fire Tactics
- High Rise Fire Tactics
- Online Continuing Education
- Fire Extinguisher Operations
- Mayday/RIT Course
- Diversity Training
- Fire ground Pump Operations
- Shipboard Fire Tactics
- Introduction to Basic Life Support (CPR)
- Mass Casualty Incident Training

5:30pm to 7:30 pm – free continuing education course for those pre-registered firefighters.

For additional information, please visit the HFD website at www.houstonfire.org or the Strategic Simulator and Training Website at www.hfdsimulator.com